

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Assessment Grant

\$300,000 for hazardous substances

\$300,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected Washington County for a brownfields assessment coalition grant. Community-wide hazardous substances and petroleum grant funds will be used to perform 24 Phase I and at least 16 Phase II environmental site assessments, prepare eight cleanup plans, and create three area-wide plans. Grant funds of both types also will be used to update the current brownfields inventory, prioritize sites, and support community involvement activities. Assessment activities will focus on the North Downtown Revitalization Area of the City of Hartford, Historic Downtown-Railroad Corridor of the Village of Jackson, Central Downtown of the Village of Slinger, Northeast Corridor Area of the Village of Richfield, Barton Village Area of the City of West Bend, and the South Eisenbahn Trail Area of the City of West Bend. Coalition partners are the Cities of Hartford and West Bend, and Villages of Jackson, Richfield, and Slinger.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

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Grant Recipient: Washington County, Wisconsin, WI (262) 335-4445

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